

Gospel Growth

INTRODUCTION

THE PRIORITY OF GOSPEL GROWTH

Priority implies importance. In our daily lives we all have priorities--things that are important for us to do and accomplish. Think back over the past week. What were some of your priorities? As we will see today, God sees gospel growth as a priority, and therefore, we must as well! So, today, let's look to God's word to discover the importance of gospel growth and learn why we must place a priority on it in our lives.

God expects you to grow

God has _____ us into growth in the gospel.
(Phil. 3:12-14, 1 Pet. 5:10)

God _____ us to grow in the gospel. (1 Pet. 2:2, 2 Pet. 3:18)

God _____ us when we do not grow in the gospel.
(1 Cor. 3:1-3 Heb 5:11-12)

God blesses when you grow

As we grow, we are stabilized in _____ and _____.
(Eph 4:11-16)

As we grow, we produce spiritual _____. (2 Peter 1:8-11)

As we grow, we are _____ of our salvation. (2 Peter 1:9-10)

As we grow, we are able to _____ one another. (Heb. 5:12)

A significant part of making something a priority is knowing that it is important. But, mere knowledge is only half of our battle. We must do something with what we know. This week, let's determine by God's grace to make our gospel growth an important focus of our attention.

PURSuing GOSPEL GROWTH

- Does time alone create spiritual maturity? *Why?*
- Which blessing that comes as a result of gospel growth impacted you the most?
- How often do you think about your own spiritual maturity?
If often, why? If not often, why?
- How can you place greater priority on your spiritual growth this week?